



BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

## A PROCLAMATION

### PARALEGAL WEEK

- WHEREAS: Paralegals are professionals qualified through education, training, or work experience to perform substantive legal work that requires proficient knowledge of legal concepts that are customarily, but not exclusively, performed by lawyers; and
- WHEREAS: Paralegals work alongside attorneys and provide support throughout the legal process by managing and organizing cases, conducting legal research, and drafting essential documents. By fulfilling these tasks, paralegals reduce legal costs and substantially contribute to the quality of legal services offered in Georgia; and
- WHEREAS: As members of the legal community, paralegals must maintain a sense of integrity and commitment to the law. Paralegals in Georgia uphold the highest standards of professionalism; and
- WHEREAS: The observance of Paralegal Week provides an opportunity for citizens to recognize paralegals across the state for their continued efforts in helping to ensure Georgia's legal system performs at a high level of efficiency; now
- THEREFORE: I, NATHAN DEAL, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim June 11–17, 2017, as PARALEGAL WEEK in Georgia.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 6<sup>th</sup> day of April in the year of our Lord two thousand seventeen.



*Nathan Deal*

GOVERNOR

ATTEST

*Chris W. Riley*

CHIEF OF STAFF